Data Source Documentation

Indicator	Pneumoconiosis hospitalizations
Demographic Group	Wisconsin residents
Numerator	Number of Wisconsin residents hospitalized for pneumoconiosis (multiple hospitalizations are unduplicated by person)
Denominator	Total Wisconsin population
Age Adjustment	Age-adjusted rates are used to compare relative risks among groups and over time; they represent relative indexes and are not actual measures of risk. Age-adjusted rates shown in the data tables were computed by applying age-specific rates in the population of interest to the 2000 U.S. standard population (i.e., the age distribution of the 2000 projected U.S. population).
Details about Data Item	Pneumoconiosis hospitalization discharges were selected using the ICD-9 CM codes of 500-505. The cases were selected using two criteria: 1. Principal diagnosis with one of these ICD-9 CM codes. 2. Any diagnosis (among principal or up to 8 other diagnoses) with one of these ICD-9 CM codes. Race and Hispanic status are tabulated separately.
Reference Time Period	Patients discharged in a calendar year
Data Source	Inpatient hospitalization discharge file, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services; prepared from data collected by the Bureau of Health Information and Policy through September 30, 2003 and thereafter by the Wisconsin Hospital Association Information Center, Inc.